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HISTORIC AMERICAN BUILDINGS SURVEY

CENTRAL NATIONAL BANK BUILDING

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Location: Main and Morgan Streets, Boonville, Cooper County, Missouri.

HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL INFORMATION

The following information was recorded by Alexander Piaget and Charles van Ravenswaay at the time the photograph was taken:

Built ca. 1865, established by Colonel Joseph L. Stephens. For an account of Stephens, see: "History of Howard and Cooper Counties, Missouri," St. Louis, National Historical Co., 1883, pp.921-925. 1871 [photograph?] shows two cast metal dogs on facade given to Stephens by Jay Gould as a token of appreciation for the assistance Stephens had given him in extending his western railroad empire. The building was further ornamented by a clock, a pair of busts, and above all, a large statue of Liberty. Dogs now preserved at west entrance of Boonville's Laura Speed Elliott High School as a memorial to Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Kurtz.

PROJECT INFORMATION

The Piaget-van Ravenswaay Survey consists of a number of photographs, primarily of sites and structures in Missouri, which were taken before 1938 by Alexander Piaget and after that by Paul Piaget, both in conjunction with Charles van Ravenswaay. Photographs of buildings were incorporated into the HABS collection in 1985 by Laura Rupp, HABS historian. A master list is available in the ~~records~~ records for MO-1800.